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A MUSICAL TREAT.

Delightful Entertainment at the Home of A. E. Ferry, Wednesday Evening.

The pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ferry was crowded Wednesday evening with a company of music lovers, who were there for a rich musical treat, but who had the experience of having their expectations more than realized. The musical was given by Mr. and Mrs. Ferry to give their friends an opportunity to hear their daughter, Miss Mabel Ferry, once more before she returns to her studies in the Detroit conservatory of music.

The following program was carried out:

1. "Witches' Frolic"—Caprice, Franz Behr, Misses Helen and Louise Duff.
2. "Dance of the Fairies," — Bazzini, Miss Mabel Ferry.
3. "As the Dawn," — Otto Cantor, Mrs. R. E. Travis.
4. "Liebs Traume, No. 3," — Franz Liszt, Miss Helen Duff.
5. "A May Morning," — L. Denza, Mrs. Travis.
6. a. "Cradle Song," — Hauser, Miss Ferry.
- b. "Village Gossip," — Bazzini, Miss Ferry.
7. "Zigeunerweisen," — Sarasate, Miss Ferry.

The playing of the Misses Duff was of course of the highest order and was keenly appreciated by the audience, who were almost made eye witnesses of the "frolic," so realistic was the playing. Miss Duff's rendering of Liszt's "Liebs Traume" was also most effective and could not fail to call back the dream of love in the minds of those who listened.

Mrs. Travis pleased all by her selections and was obliged to respond to an encore after singing "A May Morning." This she did by singing a humorous song, "Nothing Else to Do."

The great interest of the evening, however, centered about Miss Ferry and her well beloved violin. From the moment the "Dance of the Fairies" began until the last strain died away she held the audience almost breathless. She charmed them with Hauser's "Cradle Song," delighted and amused them with Bazzini's "Village Gossip," and pleased and carried them away with the "Zigeunerweisen" of Sarasate. Afterwards by special request she played Overture Musin's "Mazurka," which is a great favorite with her Owosso friends, who never miss an opportunity to hear it.

Miss Ferry expects to return Monday to Detroit to resume her studies for another year. To do this she has refused several very flattering offers for the present year, an action heartily approved of by her friends, who may well be pardoned for having high expectations for her. Her playing was far superior to much that is heard on the concert platform and might well be taken for that of one of the few acknowledged masters of the violin.

FOR CYCLE PATHS.

Informal Party at the Armory Last Night a Great Success.

The lantern parade and informal ball given under the auspices of the Owosso Cycle Path Club last evening was a success, the informal party at the Armory proving to be as pleasant and enjoyable an affair as any of the most elaborate balls.

The parade itself was simply a very small sample of what might be shown if every wheelman in the city had taken a hold, decorated his wheel with lanterns and joined with those who did. The effect is certainly very pretty, as those who took part last night clearly proved.

At the Armory the City Band was stationed and provided the best of two steps and dance music until eleven o'clock. The floor was well filled all the time with couples and everything passed off pleasantly and in a purely informal way. Bicycle costumes were the correct thing, but everything went — except full evening dress.

Refreshments were served by the ladies in one corner and in another Geo. R. Black and H. Kirk White manipulated Stan Parkill's ginger ale fountain loaned for the occasion. "Black and White" ginger ale proved quite as popular as Stan's celebrated brand of Vernors.

After eleven o'clock Miss Dottie Murray very graciously took her place at the piano and furnished music for the dancers who wished to remain longer.

The proceeds which will be available for the club's path building fund will probably reach about seventy dollars, and the management as well as all who took part in the event are well pleased with its success.

THE RACES.

Following are the summaries of the races held by the Owosso Cycle Path Club at Caledonia Park yesterday afternoon.

One-mile novice — E. Lawrence, Durand, first; Bard Winslow, Owosso, second; F. Barker, Durand, third; time 3:19.

One-mile professional — Will Douglass, Owosso, first; Pearl Hathaway, second; time 2:34.

Five-mile — John Hart, Detroit, first; Charles Smith, Owosso, second; Warren Smith, Owosso, third; time 2:30.

Two-mile professional — Pearl Hathaway, first; Will Douglass, second; time 5:15.

Two-mile amateur — John Hart, Detroit, first; Charles Smith, Owosso, second; Warren Smith, Owosso, third; time 5:21.

One-seventh mile slow race — Frank Evans, first; George Hunt, second; time 1:20.

An exhibition quarter was ridden by Sam Ampoker in 31 seconds, lowering by one second the track record held by Frank Evans.

A PLEASANT RECEPTION.

Women's Clubs Listen to a Paper by Mrs. Irma T. Jones.

The home of Mrs. Albert West was the scene of a very pleasant reception Saturday afternoon, when the members of the Women's Literary Club and the Current Topic Club were given an opportunity to meet Mrs. Irma T. Jones, of Lansing, ex-president and at present director of the Michigan Federation of Women's Clubs. The reception was given by Mrs. West and Miss Blanche Seelye.

The members of these clubs and other invited guests were received in the parlor by Mrs. West, Miss Seelye, Mrs. W. M. Kilpatrick, president of the Women's Literary Club, and Mrs. C. S. Williams, president of the Current Topic Club. They were then presented to Mrs. Jones by Mrs. L. E. Gould.

When the introductions were over, a very interesting half hour's paper was read by Mrs. Jones, who discussed the present club movement in a way which told of a careful and thorough preparation. The club idea has had a very wide and rapid growth in the last fifty years, during which time it has spread to every state in the union. The points of weakness and the defects as well as the advantages and strength of the movement, were both held up in view. In discussing the various subjects especially suitable for club work, especial emphasis was placed on local matters—the improvement of the schools, the welfare of the public library, the carrying on of kindergarten work, institution of improvement societies, etc., were mentioned as worthy subjects. If the true ideal of club work was continually kept in mind the benefit to the community and to the homes which make up that community could not fail to be marked.

After the reading of the paper, refreshments were served, the guests being seated at a number of small tables in the dining room and parlor, and having their wants looked after by the Misses Dean, Satterly, McKinnis, and Seelye. The company was also favored with some most delightful music by Miss Lena Gregory. To make the occasion still more complete the rooms were trimmed with a profusion of gladioli, sweet peas, and nasturtiums, the work of some of the younger ladies. The occasion was a most enjoyable one for all present.

Corunna.

Rev. W. H. Simmons is attending a meeting of the Presbytery at Sand Beach. A letter from Frank Tuttle says he arrived in San Francisco all right and enjoyed the trip very much. J. C. Thomas attended the G. A. R. reunion at Lansing, Tuesday and Wednesday. Comrade Geo. D. Moreau, the last of the stragglers who went to Buffalo, has just returned, and saved himself from the guard-house by reporting at headquarters at the bugle sound of "taps."

Mrs. E. U. Gorsuch and daughter, Uarda, returned Saturday from a two weeks visit with relatives at St. Johns and vicinity. Miss Gertrude Frain, the efficient post-office clerk, is spending a few days with relatives and friends at Lansing. Nathan Knoll, of Milwaukee, is in the city this week on account of the serious illness of his father, S. Knoll. Rev. Isaac W. Lamb, of Perry, was in the city Monday. He reports business at the knitting factory much better than a year ago. Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Sheldon leave this week for their new home at Ann Arbor. The best wishes of many Corunna friends go with them. George Carruthers' sawmill at Newburg was recently burned. Loss \$1,000, with no insurance. The mill was one of the oldest in the county. Judge McCurdy left Saturday for Boston to attend a meeting of the Supreme Council of Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He expects to be home again Sept. 26. L. H. Wilcox, who has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. F. H. Pettibone and other friends here, leaves today for Detroit, where after spending a few days will return to Washington, D. C. He has a good position in the government printing department. —Journal.

Laingsburg.

Alexander Terryberry has sold his house and lot to Harry Holden. Rev. J. H. Rowe returned from conference Thursday. He has been appointed to the Laingsburg charge for another year. H. R. Sharpe and wife, and Miss Nellie Phillips returned last Friday from New York, where they have been visiting. About 70 members of Colfax and 88 I. O. O. F., of Owosso, and about 30 members of Ovid lodge visited the brothers of Orion lodge on Saturday evening. The Owosso members were accompanied by their ladies. They were served with a banquet and a very enjoyable time was had by all. Orion lodge I. O. O. F. has changed its night of meeting from Saturday to Tuesday evening. B. E. Barnes with his daughter, Mrs. Beardslee, and her little son, started for Sacramento, Cal., Tuesday evening. Elmer Bixby has rented and will soon occupy the B. F. McClintock house. People are wondering who will be our next postmaster. Laingsburg seems to be the last appointment to be made in the county. Farmers had their corn cut by the frost Tuesday morning. The farmers complain that the ground is too dry for sowing wheat. A large acreage will be sown.

Burton.

Dr. and Mrs. Bailey, and daughter, Miss Lesia, of Chesaning, were the guests of J. McWilliams and daughter, Miss Sarah, over Sunday. C. Cowan and wife of Ovid, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Millard, one day last week. R. E. Vincent and wife, of Carland, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Vincent. Miss Sherly Iveson spent last week with relatives and friends in Brady. Mrs. B. A. Sprague was the guest of Mrs. Wm. Putnam, Wednesday of last week. Mrs. J. Potter was the guest of Mrs. A. E. Grey, of Ovid, Saturday. The Misses Nellie and Eva Cramer spent Sunday in Owosso with Miss Estella Hubbell. The cottage prayer meeting was held Tuesday evening at the home of Rev. and Mrs. S. S. Fleming. Preaching services Sunday morning at ten o'clock in the M. P. church. Meddames J. W. Rose and B. Benson were guests of Miss S. McWilliams, Wednesday. The committee on music of the M. P. church met at the residence of A. E. Cadz, Wednesday evening of last week, and the following named persons will constitute the choir for the ensuing year: Christopher D. Banghart, U. G. Stiff, Mrs. A. E. Cadz, Mrs. R. E. Vincent, Mr. Banghart; organist, Miss Laura Scott. Miss Libbie Atwell, of Palmyra, was the guest of her friend, Miss Sarah McWilliams, a part of last week.

Vernon.

D. Jewell and wife returned from New York Saturday. Dewey Bryant attended the M. E. conference at Port Huron this week. A. Shaw and little daughter, Pearl, were at Mt. Pleasant on Saturday. J. H. Feeley, of St. Louis, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. V. R. Scranton. Rev. D. B. Davidson visited his farm, near Charlotte, the first of the week. P. Albark and wife, and two little sons, returned from Buffalo Monday. Fred Holmes, of Durand, was in town Saturday. Mrs. Graves has opened a new dress-making shop on Main street. W. B. Sheehan is very sick with malarial fever. Charles Van Alstine met with a serious accident on Saturday. He was thrown from a rake while going to the field, throwing his shoulder out of joint and giving him several other bruises. Judd Hendy, of Ionia, and H. Phelps, of near Bancroft, visited at Harvey Martin's on Tuesday. Dr. Holly, of Bell Branch, is visiting at G. Clark's. Miss Lizzie Dunham returned from Flint, Tuesday evening. Rev. Benson is the new pastor of the M. E. church. Wm. Howd's little daughter, Irene, is very sick with a fever. Frank Westcott will be our new postmaster. A. Shaw and J. Driscoll left for the western states, Wednesday.

Byron.

Loss Eddy returned Saturday from a visit at Rochester and Syracuse, N. Y. Thirty-nine sheep, belonging to Kelsey Bros., were killed by the cars on the Ann Arbor road Saturday. Herbert Brown will teach at Fowler this year. A severe frost visited this locality Monday night, making corn, potatoes and grape vines appear in the "sear and yellow leaf." W. A. Rosenkrans and wife, of Corunna, were guests at E. C. Tuckey's, Friday. Mrs. M. Kaykendall returned recently from Ohio, where she had been caring for her daughter, Mrs. Steele, who was sick. Mrs. Herriek, mother of Mrs. George Engle, returned to her home in Flint, Thursday. Daniel McCalge is on the sick list. William McDonald got better, then suffered a relapse, but is again on the gain. Mrs. F. Shelp is very sick. Mabel Fosket is home from Corunna on account of the sickness of her mother. The hotel here has been vacated by Wise & Shepherd and is undergoing a thorough cleaning before being re-opened to the public. It is not generally known who the new landlord will be. Wise & Shepherd will occupy a hotel in Vernon.

Diversity of Shipments.

Furniture shipments from the Estey furniture factories in this city cover a very wide extent of territory. Last week eighteen full car load orders were filled from the factories besides the large amounts of shipments of lots smaller than car load lots. The nearest car load order was in Jackson, Mich.; the most distant, San Francisco, California. Another will be sent to Denver tomorrow. Shipments will also be made to East London, Cape Town, and Elgon, South Africa, today or tomorrow. About fifty orders for car load lots are now on hand awaiting their turn or time of shipment.

The South Africa trade is one which is growing and already has occasioned considerable speculation as to its final outcome. The wants of this trade are different from the United States trade. The South African dealers want something resembling the large old fashioned bureau, tall, and with no mirror, though instead of bureau they style them "chests of drawers." This style of work is so different from the rest of the work in the shop that the plan is being considered of having additional room built especially for this class of work.

Miss Tillie O'Neil is learning to operate the switch boards at the telephone office and will become a regular operator as soon as Miss Hubbard leaves.

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Ovid.

Mrs. E. P. Marvin is visiting relatives in Hillsdale. Willard Rose, of Dimondale, visited relatives here last week. Mrs. Will Long received, a few days ago, \$415 as minor's pension. Miss Ada Crippen, of New York City, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Geo. Noe. Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Conant, of Owosso, spent Sunday with Ovid relatives. Mrs. Izabell Pengra, from Boston, is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. O. B. Campbell. The Y. P. S. C. E. are preparing for an art loan, to be held some time in October. Miss Lena Doolittle and Mr. Osborne, of Owosso, called on Ovid friends Sunday. Mrs. N. J. Clark and daughter Fanny returned from New York last Sunday morning. Mrs. Geo. Sowers and Mrs. Ed. White, of Toledo, are guests this week of Ovid relatives. John Everett, of Ithaca, visited his daughter, Mrs. H. M. High, and family, over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thompson, of Saginaw, were in town over Sunday. Frank was a former Ovid boy. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Woodworth have returned from their wedding trip in the upper part of the state. Rev. and Mrs. Brown, of South Haven, were the guests of Rev. and Mrs. M. M. Martin a few days last week. Mrs. Johnson, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. D. Beebe, for the past few days, returned to Detroit Saturday. G. M. Hoyt and family left last Friday morning for Three Rivers. Their many Ovid friends regretted very much to see them leave. Mark Plummer, who has been freight agent in Ovid for two years, left to day for Hawley, where he has the position of night operator. Mrs. Erle Coleman, whose serious illness was mentioned last week, is very low at this writing. There are but faint hopes of her recovery. Mrs. Jennie Dilse and mother, Mrs. Justice, left for Wisconsin Monday night to spend the winter with relatives. Mrs. Justice is in very poor health. Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson, of Detroit, visited their daughter, Mrs. Will Robson, over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson were former Ovid residents. Rev. A. J. Brady was appointed to the church at Traverse City, and will move there as soon as possible. Rev. Brady has been the pastor of the M. E. church for the past year, doing efficient work, and the members of his church, and other Ovid friends, regret to lose such a man from their midst. His son Charles Brady leaves for Albion College this week.

Made a Pilgrimage.

About seventy-five Knights Templar from Owosso, Chesaning, Corunna, Vernon, and Durand, made a pilgrimage to Bancroft, Tuesday. They were accompanied by their ladies and enjoyed the hospitality of the Bancroft Knights to the fullest extent. The special train left Owosso at about eleven o'clock and reached Bancroft via the D. & M. and Grand Trunk a little before noon. A number of Knights, drawn out of doors by the fine weather, drove across the country and met the rest at Bancroft. The Durand band furnished music for the occasion.

After a sumptuous banquet at the Phillips House and an allowance of a sufficient lapse of time for digestive purposes, Corunna Commandry marched to the fair grounds, where an exhibition drill was given for over an hour. The return train left at 6:17, arriving in Owosso at 7:10.

The pilgrimage was a success and a happy event in every respect, and the efforts of the Bancroft fraters were ceaseless in caring for every possible want of the guests.

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